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Sir.

This is a response to the final Office Action dated November 2, 2004 in the above-referenced application, having a shortened statutory period set to expire February 2, 2005 and an extended statutory period set to expire May 2, 2005. In addition, applicants are filing concurrently herewith a Notice of Appeal under 37 C.F.R. § 1.191 and the accompanying fee under 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1). Applicants hereby petition the Office for a three-month extension of time for responding to the Action and for filing the Notice of Appeal, and submit herewith forms PTO/SB/22 and PTO/SB/31, which authorize the Office to charge the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to applicants' deposit account.

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